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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 29, 2005

This paper is in response to the Office Action in the above-referenced case mailed November 29, 2005. With a one-month extension of time, requested herewith, the Response is due March 28, 2006. Therefore, the Response is timely filed on March 28, 2006.

Please reconsider the Specification and claims in light of the amendments and arguments set forth below.


Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that the currently pending claims are in an allowable form and, therefore, requests a Notice of Allowability of the application at the Examiner's earliest convenience. If any issues remain in the case which might be handled in an expedited fashion, such as through a telephone call or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is certainly encouraged to telephone the Applicant's representative or to issue an Examiner's Amendment.

Applicant knows of no fees due herein with this submission. However, if any charges or credits are necessary, please apply them to Deposit Account 23-3000.

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